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The House met at 10 a.m.

Rabbi Ely Rosenzweig, Congregation Anshe Shalom, New Rochelle, New York, offered the following prayer:

O God, I pray that there shall come a day when each of us will know that it is not by virtue of might or power but by God's spirit that we truly lead; that we be as Moses' brother Aaron, each of us a peacemaker wherever trouble lurks and blood flows; that we love peace and pursue her in all that we do, all that we are.

I pray that we ever hear the still, small, silent voice of peace as she beckons us to ponder in her plaintive whisper: Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us? Let us be then the noble builders of bridges and pathways to each other.

I pray that we shall know from all the beauty and grace that is America that our call to peace is for everyone everywhere. In the words of the poet, "Our country is the world and our countrymen all of mankind."

Almighty and merciful God, bless this hallowed House and all its Members and keep them well; shed thy light upon us all and show thy grace; lift thy countenance unto us and grant us that greatest and most cherished of gifts, the gift of peace, where none shall injure, none shall kill, and the land shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord.

How good and pleasant it is when we dwell, you and I, as brother and sister, in blissful, wondrous harmony.

Heenay mah tov u'mah naeem shevet achim gam yachad. God bless you and America, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote

on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 335, nays 70, answered "present" 1, not voting 25, as follows:

[Roll No. 102]
YEAS—335

Akin	Burr	DeLauro	Gilman	Largent	Pickering
Andrews	Burton	DeMint	Gonzalez	Larson (CT)	Pitts
Armey	Buyer	Deutsch	Goode	Latham	Platts
Baca	Callahan	Diaz-Balart	Goodlatte	LaTourette	Pombo
Bachus	Calvert	Doggett	Gordon	Leach	Portman
Baker	Camp	Dooley	Goss	Levin	Price (NC)
Baldacci	Cannon	Doolittle	Graham	Lewis (CA)	Pryce (OH)
Baldwin	Cantor	Doyle	Granger	Lewis (GA)	Putnam
Ballenger	Capito	Dreier	Graves	Lewis (KY)	Quinn
Barcia	Capps	Duncan	Green (TX)	Linder	Radanovich
Barr	Cardin	Dunn	Green (WI)	Lipinski	Rahall
Barrett	Carson (IN)	Edwards	Greenwood	Lofgren	Rangel
Bartlett	Carson (OK)	Ehlers	Grucci	Lowey	Regula
Bass	Castle	Ehrlich	Gutierrez	Lucas (KY)	Rehberg
Becerra	Chabot	Emerson	Hall (TX)	Lucas (OK)	Reyes
Bentsen	Chambliss	Engel	Hansen	Luther	Reynolds
Bereuter	Clayton	Eshoo	Hart	Maloney (NY)	Rodriguez
Berkley	Clement	Etheridge	Hastings (WA)	Manzullo	Roemer
Berman	Clyburn	Evans	Hayes	Markey	Rogers (KY)
Berry	Coble	Everett	Hayworth	Mascara	Rogers (MI)
Biggert	Collins	Fattah	Herger	Matheson	Rohrabacher
Bilirakis	Combest	Ferguson	Hill	Matsui	Ros-Lehtinen
Bishop	Condit	Flake	Hinojosa	McCarthy (MO)	Ross
Blagojevich	Cooksey	Fletcher	Hobson	McCarthy (NY)	Rothman
Blumenauer	Cox	Foley	Hoefel	McCrery	Roukema
Blunt	Coyne	Ford	Hoekstra	McHugh	Roybal-Allard
Boehmert	Cramer	Fossella	Holden	McInnis	Royce
Boehner	Crenshaw	Frank	Holt	McIntyre	Rush
Bonilla	Cummings	Frelinghuysen	Honda	McKeon	Ryan (WI)
Bono	Cunningham	Frost	Horn	McKinney	Ryan (KS)
Boswell	Davis (CA)	Gallegly	Hostettler	Meehan	Sanchez
Boucher	Davis (FL)	Ganske	Houghton	Meek (FL)	Sanders
Boyd	Davis (IL)	Gekas	Hoyer	Meeks (NY)	Sandlin
Brady (TX)	Davis, Jo Ann	Gibbons	Hunter	Mica	Sawyer
Brown (SC)	Davis, Tom	Gilchrest	Hutchinson	Millender-	Saxton
Bryant	DeGette	Gillmor	Hyde	McDonald	Scarborough
			Inslee	Miller (FL)	Schiff
			Isakson	Miller, Gary	Schrock
			Israel	Mink	Scott
			Issa	Mollohan	Sensenbrenner
			Istook	Moran (KS)	Serrano
			Jackson (IL)	Morella	Sessions
			Jefferson	Murtha	Shadegg
			Jenkins	Myrick	Shaw
			John	Nadler	Shays
			Johnson (CT)	Neal	Sherman
			Johnson (IL)	Nethercutt	Sherwood
			Johnson, Sam	Ney	Shimkus
			Jones (NC)	Northup	Shows
			Kanjorski	Norwood	Simmons
			Kaptur	Nussle	Simpson
			Keller	Ortiz	Skeen
			Kelly	Osborne	Skelton
			Kerns	Ose	Slaughter
			Kildee	Otter	Smith (MI)
			Kind (WI)	Owens	Smith (NJ)
			King (NY)	Oxley	Smith (TX)
			Kingston	Pascarell	Smith (WA)
			Kirk	Pastor	Snyder
			Kleczka	Paul	Solis
			Knollenberg	Payne	Souder
			Kolbe	Pelosi	Spence
			LaHood	Pence	Stearns
			Lampson	Peterson (PA)	Sununu
			Lantos	Petri	Tanner

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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Tauscher	Traficant	Weiner
Tauzin	Turner	Weldon (FL)
Taylor (NC)	Upton	Weldon (PA)
Terry	Vitter	Wexler
Thomas	Walden	Wicker
Thornberry	Walsh	Wilson
Thune	Wamp	Wolf
Tiahrt	Watkins	Woolsey
Tiberi	Watt (NC)	Wu
Tierney	Watts (OK)	Wynn
Toomey	Waxman	Young (FL)

NAYS—70

Ackerman	Hinchey	Pallone
Aderholt	Hooley	Phelps
Bonior	Hulshof	Pomeroy
Borski	Jackson-Lee	Ramstad
Brady (PA)	(TX)	Riley
Brown (FL)	Johnson, E.B.	Sabo
Brown (OH)	Jones (OH)	Schaffer
Capuano	Kennedy (MN)	Stark
Clay	Kennedy (RI)	Stenholm
Costello	Kilpatrick	Strickland
Crowley	Kucinich	Stupak
Deal	LaFalce	Sweeney
DeFazio	Langevin	Taylor (MS)
Dicks	Larsen (WA)	Thompson (CA)
Dingell	Lee	Thompson (MS)
English	LoBiondo	Thurman
Farr	McDermott	Towns
Flinter	McGovern	Udall (CO)
Gutknecht	McNulty	Udall (NM)
Harman	Menendez	Velazquez
Hastings (FL)	Miller, George	Visclosky
Hefley	Moore	Waters
Hilleary	Oberstar	Weller
Hilliard	Oliver	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Tancredo

NOT VOTING—25

Abercrombie	DeLay	Peterson (MN)
Allen	Gephardt	Rivers
Baird	Hall (OH)	Schakowsky
Barton	Maloney (CT)	Spratt
Conyers	McCollum	Stump
Crane	Moakley	Whitfield
Cubin	Moran (VA)	Young (AK)
Culberson	Napolitano	
Delahunt	Obey	

□ 1027

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. FOSSELLA) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. FOSSELLA led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would announce that all 1-minutes, with the exception of the introduction of the guest chaplain, will be postponed until the end of the legislative day today.

WELCOME TO RABBI ELY J. ROSENZVEIG AND HIS FAMILY

(Mrs. LOWEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to welcome Rabbi Ely Rosenzveig to the United States House of Representatives. A spiritual and moral leader of the New Rochelle community, Rabbi Rosenzveig brings honor to this body, just as he does to his own congregation. Rabbi Rosenzveig joins us from Congregation Anshe Sholom with his family, his four out of five children, with his in-laws, his parents and 40 members of the synagogue.

The synagogue celebrates its 105th birthday next week. Anshe Sholom has doubled in size during the past 5 years, ensuring that it continues to be one of the anchor congregations of Westchester County.

Rabbi Rosenzveig is a remarkable man, the son of Rabbi Charles and Helen Rosenzveig, both Holocaust survivors. His father, who is here with us today, came straight from a hospital bed; is a leader of the Holocaust Remembrance Movement. Like his son, the elder Rabbi Rosenzveig demonstrates that spiritual greatness is heightened by worldly activism.

□ 1030

A master of economics and student of Talmud, an accomplished lawyer and dedicated Rabbi, a community leader and devoted father, Rabbi Rosenzveig has excelled in all facets of life. More important than his accomplishments, however, is the love he has for his five wonderful children, for his wife, and the model he sets not only for his congregation, but for the entire community around him.

A leader with warmth and respect for all people, Rabbi Rosenzveig teaches by example and lives by the ideal that our actions mean more than words. His presence here today and the large following that has come to hear him speak bear witness to that belief.

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome Rabbi Ely Rosenzveig to the Congress of the United States.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H. CON. RES. 83, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 136 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 136

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 83) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2002, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2011. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as

read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the conference report to final adoption without intervening motion except one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). The gentleman from Florida (Mr. GOSS) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the distinguished gentlewoman from New York (Ms. SLAUGHTER), my friend from the Committee on Rules, pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, the legislation before us waives all points of order against the conference report to accompany H. Con. Res. 83, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002 and against its consideration. Basically, this is the rule that gets the budget debate going.

The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read and further provides one hour of debate, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget. This is a fair and standard rule for consideration of the conference report for the budget, and I hope we have the support of all Members.

Mr. Speaker, this is the second time this spring I have had the privilege to stand before the House and address my fellow Americans on our country's budget. While the details may be a little different from the original House position, the sentiments do remain the same.

The budget before the House today provides an historic level of tax cuts, while still providing Americans with needed resources and services. The budget blueprint before us provides more relief than the previous administration ever dreamed possible.

From the beginning of his administration, President Bush has stressed the importance of bipartisan efforts to reach our national goals. This conference report illustrates how working together can benefit all Americans, both taxpayers and citizens who count on Federal programs. Included in the budget are allocations to pay back our country's debt, to fortify our national defense, to improve education, and strengthen both Social Security and Medicare. These are all critical issues. After all these programs have been addressed, there is still money remaining. These remaining funds will result in \$1.35 trillion worth of tax relief over the next 11 years. This is real relief for all taxpayers.

Now, I know some of my colleagues will complain that the tax cut is either too big or too small. We are certainly going to hear plenty of rhetoric and probably some class warfare language today on that subject. But this debate